

Appl. No. 09/034,336  
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**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions,  
and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims**

Claims 1-36 (canceled)

37. (New) A method for inhibiting the decrease  
of active-oxygen-eliminating activity of alpha-glucosyl  
hesperidin and catechin, comprising incorporating  
trehalose in an amount of at least about 20 w/w%  
trehalose on a dry solids basis into a composition  
containing alpha-glucosyl hesperidin or catechin in an  
aqueous system.

38. (New) The method according to claim 37  
which  
further comprises a sterilization or a drying step.